

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 32, 38-42 and 84-95 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 64-83 have been cancelled. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 32, 38-42 and 84-95 are allowed.

In the Office Action, claims 64-83 were rejected under 35 USC §103(a) over Hung (US 4,889,281) and Holzheu et al (US 6,870,294). This rejection is respectfully traversed, however, in order to advance prosecution, those claims have been cancelled without prejudice. In view of this amendment, the Examiner's rejection of claims 64-83 has been mooted.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that all the pending claims are patentable and that the entire application is in condition for allowance.


The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140 under Order No. PTB-4448-44.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable to place the application in better condition for allowance, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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